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SUBJECT:F-16'S: CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS

1. HUMPHREY SUBCOMMITTEE HAS SET ASIDE SEPTEMBER 16 AND 24 FOR HEARINGS ON PENDING ARMS SALES, INCLUDING F-16'S. AT THIS STAGE WE DON'T KNOW WHO WILL REPRESENT THE DEPARTMENT NOR ON WHAT DAY WE SHALL APPEAR. SENATOR NELSON HAS INTRODUCED A RESOLUTION OF DISAPPROVAL ON ALL 37 CASES (ALL ITEMS IN END-OF-SESSION NOTIFICATIONS SENT TO HILL) AND SENATOR PROXMIRE HAS TABLED RESOLUTION OF DISAPPROVAL ON 25 CASES INCLUDING F-16'S.

2. WE DO NOT KNOW AS YET WHETHER THESE RESOLUTIONS WILL BE PUSHED TO VOTE. WE EXPECT THAT HOUSE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE WILL ALSO HOLD HEARINGS BUT NO DATES HAVE YET BEEN SET.

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